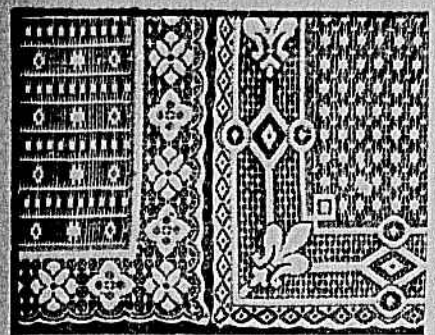


Miller & Rhoads

Mail Orders Filled at Advertised Prices.

\$1 a Pair for These Lace Curtains

They're Worth \$1.50.



Novelty Nets, in green, beige and red.

Two styles are shown in the illustration—there are a dozen more styles in stock.

To say that they are one of the best curtains of the kind we've ever had at the price would only be telling half the truth. They're the BEST we've ever offered at \$1 a pair.

Novelty Net Curtains, in Arabian only; special, \$1.25 pair. Cable Net Curtains, 3-12 yards' long, flit borders, regular \$2.50 value, \$2.00 a pair.

BUCK-JUMPING CAR HITS POLE AND SPLINTERS IT

Shoved One End on Man's Steps, Then Ruins His Fence, Leaving Track Clear.

PASSENGERS SLIGHTLY HURT

Left Rails While Speeding Around Sharp Curve in Queerest Manner on Record Here.

With one huge bound, Broad and Oakwood car No. 353 jumped the track on the heavy curve at the corner of Twenty-fifth and Venable Streets last night at 8:20 o'clock. Crashing into a telephone pole at least twelve inches in diameter, it did not stop until the front trucks were across the sidewalk, the hood well inside the yard fence of Charles W. Eaton, of No. 2425 Venable Street, and the pole resting near the top of his steps, while the rear of the car was clear of the tracks. Traffic was not delayed a moment. All of the six passengers who were on the car at the time were badly shaken up, but none was seriously hurt. Miss Grace Garrett, of No. 310 North Thirty-fifth Street, suffered most, being painfully cut about the face with broken glass. One of her companions, Miss Nellie Smith, of No. 314 North Thirty-fifth Street, had her neck slightly sprained and suffered a severe nervous shock, which rendered her hysterical for a short time. Another, a colored man, of No. 2715 P Street, had his arm sprained. They were treated by Dr. Eggleston, of the ambulance.

Neither the motorman, W. H. Fowler, nor the conductor, E. A. Lewis, was hurt enough to require the attention of a doctor.

Queerest Accident Yet.
The position of the car after it was all over showed that it was one of the most remarkable accidents in the history of the Passenger and Power Company. The hood—that portion of the car occupied by the engine—was wedged in Mr. Eaton's yard, while the front trucks were jammed into the grass plot across the sidewalk. The large pole, which appeared to be nothing more than a stick against the great force of the car, had its splinters butt resting on the steps, and was leaning on the top of the car, being partially supported by the wires above. The tracks behind were clear and not damaged in the smallest way. In fact, nothing had to be moved in order to pass the next car, except the rear tender.

According to the passengers, when the car hit the curve at Twenty-fifth Street, where Q Street runs into Venable, it was running at a terrific rate of speed, and very little, if any, check was made by the motorman. Instead of holding the rails, it went straight ahead, and was not halted until it had encountered obstacles enough, it would seem, to stop a locomotive. With the front in the yard of Mr. Eaton, it finally came to a standstill, after having created a noise which was heard for squares around.

All of the passengers were thrown to the floor and the window on the right side was broken by the impact. Many small particles of glass flew into Miss Garrett's face and Dr. Eggleston was some time in getting all of them out. Both the motorman and the conductor said that the car was not running at more than the usual rate of speed, and are inclined to attribute the accident to slippery tracks.

Injured Folk Sent Home.
The injured people were carried to Slaughter's drug store, across the street, to wait for the ambulance, and a large crowd, attracted by the noise, gathered around the doors. Sergeant Ames, who was in the vicinity at the time, was quickly on the scene with a squad of men and held back the people, who were eager to get into the drug store.

The injured women were made comfortable until the doctor had finished with them, and they had recovered from their fright. They were on their way to a Christmas celebration. The car, which was damaged all except on the front platform, was pulled back on the tracks and towed into the shops. The post was removed from Mr. Eaton's steps and propped up until a new one can be put in.

RAILROAD FINED

Wideman of Richmond, Frederickburg and Potomac Railroad Fined for Lowering Gates. Mr. C. W. Culp, general superintendent of the Richmond, Frederickburg and Potomac Railroad, was fined \$10 in the Police Court yesterday morning on a charge of having lowered the gates at Belvidere and Main Streets to allow the gates at 2:15 o'clock on the afternoon of December 1. Two street cars ran almost on the track before they saw the gates, but the motorman stopped in time to prevent accident. The attorney is R. H. Carter.

CLYDE SAUNDERS NEW CITY PRINTER

Secures All Contract Work on Lowest Bid and Ability to Deliver Promptly.

COMMITTEE WEARY OF DELAYS

Declared That Award Would Not Go to Lowest Man Unless He Could Do Quick Work.

Contracts for all grades of city printing for the year 1909 were awarded last night by the Council Committee on Printing and Claims to Clyde W. Saunders, whose bid was the lowest in each class, and a fraction lower than the contract price for the past year.

Before opening the bids, Sub-Chairman Nelson announced that in view of past delays and unsatisfactory conditions in city printing, the committee would not bind itself to award the contract to the lowest bidder, unless it could be shown that he was fully equipped with machinery to handle the work.

Got It On Merit.
Although Mr. Saunders is active in city politics, and is at present the sub-chairman of the City Democratic Committee and popularly reputed to be the "boss" of Richmond, the contract was awarded him on the basis of his record on former city contracts and the promptness and accuracy with which he handled large rush orders for the last session of the Legislature being regarded as a sufficient guarantee of his ability to execute the contract. Bond was required for faithful performance.

The contract for advertising, including the publication of notices, city ordinances and proposals, was awarded to 50 cents an inch of space covered by an established custom, a supplement to the contract was made with the Daily German Advertiser for the publication of city ordinances in German, at a flat rate of 20 cents an inch.

Bids for binding and for the supply of stationery were opened by a subcommittee consisting of Chairman Adams and Messrs. Gentry and Hirschburg, with instructions to tabulate and award to the lowest bidder. The new contracts go into effect on January 1st.

SENT TO GRAND JURY

Two Are Charged With Burglary and "Third" Is Charged With Assaulting G. A. Arvill.
Three negroes were sent on to the grand jury from the Police Court yesterday morning on various charges. Josh Lynch, charged with having broken into the house of J. M. Ware and stealing therefrom a watch valued at \$25, met that fate.

John Bedford was sent on on the charge of having assaulted G. A. Arvill in the latter's saloon near the Chesapeake and Ohio Station. Prosser, charged with having broken into the house of Lewis Steele with intent to commit larceny, was sent on.

MR. KINSOLVING LEAVES
President William H. Kinsolving, secretary C. H. Gilbert, treasurer Felix Keegan, Charles Rueger, John Murphy, E. W. F. Allen, and Messrs. D. W. Dickey, Miss Carrie Lettich and Mrs. A. D. Atkinson. Mr. M. S. Dickey, who has for a number of years been prominent in the winter in Richmond, resigned from the organization, as he will give up the management of Ford's Hotel next Friday.

President William H. Kinsolving, of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, appeared at the meeting and took up the matter of carriage exits at the Byrd Street depot. Mr. White had been informed that many complaints had been made to the management of the railroad that the exits could get a carriage. He assured the association that he would have the exits placed in position at once, so that passengers could go directly to the stands without having to go around to the regular exits.

EXPECT LARGE CROWD

Hotel Men From Virginia and North Carolina Expected Next Week.
Arrangements have been made at the Jefferson Hotel for the reception of 150 delegates and visitors to the convention of the Hotel Men's Association of Virginia and North Carolina, which will be held next Tuesday. Besides these there will be in attendance all of the hotel men of this city, who will be in the city for the purpose of exhibiting various hotel appliances in the auditorium.

WILL SEEK DIVORCE
O. Heywood Winters Says Suit Will Be Filed in New York Court.
It was reported yesterday that Mr. O. Heywood Winters, of No. 207 East Franklin Street, the New York vocal teacher, who recently resided in Richmond, had filed suit for divorce in New York City.

CAUGHT HIM WITH CLOTHES ENOUGH TO FURNISH STORE
Frank Brown, a colored boy, seventeen years old, was arrested yesterday afternoon, charged on four warrants with stealing clothes from Allen W. Tyler to the amount of \$100.

In addition to this a search warrant was issued for the arrest of James Smith, of No. 1000 N. 10th Street, where he had been staying. Although the police are sure that all of the clothes were stolen from the store, they brought to the Second Station almost enough clothes to set young Brown up in the "gentle" furnishing business. The case will be heard in the Police Court this morning.

Southern Railway Earnings.
Estimated earnings of the Southern Railway for the third week in December, according to a statement issued yesterday by the company, show an increase of \$119,384, as compared with the corresponding week of last year. For the past two weeks the volume of traffic has largely increased, thus indicating that the company will start the new year with more hopeful conditions ahead.

Convicts Adjudged Inane

Two negro convicts from the State Penitentiary, George Davis and Ben Tyler, were brought before the City Court yesterday and examined as to their sanity. They were ascertained to be insane, and will be transferred to the Central State Hospital at Petersburg.

EXPERTS DIFFER WITH ENGINEER

Tell Committee That Flume Lining Will Cost About \$100,000.

PRESENT TUBE IS ROTTEN

Suggest Four Methods of Obtaining Clear Water—Ask Council for \$75,000.

A joint report from the two expert engineers retained by the Council Committee on Water to advise as to the present condition of the flume, and the best means of bringing water from the settling basin to the pump-house, was submitted to a subcommittee on Water yesterday, and will be transmitted to the full committee at its meeting to-night. The text of the report, which was signed by M. R. Sherrard, a hydraulic engineer, of Newark, N. J., and M. J. Roelker, a consulting engineer of this city, will not be made public until it goes before the committee to-night.

Beyond stating that the present flume is an absolute failure, so far as the purposes for which it is intended are concerned, the report of the engineers deals rather with the future than the past.

Four Methods Suggested.
Four methods, the paper says, might be used to convey water from the basin to the pumps—one a wood lining to the present flume.

This the engineers do not believe to be practicable, disagreeing with City Engineer Bolling, who estimated that this could be done for about \$13,500, and stating that in their belief the flume could not be properly lined for less than \$100,000 to \$125,000.

Other forms of tube mentioned are a line of steel pipe, laid in the trough formed by taking off the crown of the flume, and using it as a foundation for a concrete tube, to the present tube, and the construction of a lock-joint concrete tube, which consists of making sections of concrete tube and then laying them and joining them together on the present foundation.

The subcommittee recommended to the full committee that a resolution be forwarded to the Council appropriating \$75,000 to build a flume, and that bids be called for on all four methods of construction.

Watch-Night Service.
Watch-night services will be held at Highland Park Methodist Church to-morrow night, beginning at 10 o'clock. It is the desire of the church to have a large attendance, to make the service interdenominational.

SPEAKERS AND SINGERS COMING

Twenty-One Evangelists Will Take Part in Chapman Campaign Here.

Announcement was made yesterday by the central committee on the Chapman-Alexander evangelistic campaign, which will be held in Richmond from January 1 to January 10, 1909.

Twenty-one people in all are in the party, the city being divided into five districts, each with a central meeting point, except in the Third District, on Church Hill, where there will be no meeting point will be maintained. The following is the full list, both ministers and lay workers:

First District—City Auditor—Rev. J. Wilber Chapman, D. D. speaker; Mr. Charles M. Alexander, musical director; Mr. Robert H. Harkness, accompanist; Ernest W. Naffziger, soloist.
Second District—First Baptist Church—Rev. J. W. Smith, speaker; Mr. Charles F. Allen, soloist.
Third District—Union Station Methodist Church—Rev. Frank Dixon, speaker; Mr. Robert H. Harkness, accompanist; Ernest W. Naffziger, soloist.
Fourth District—Fulton Baptist Church—Rev. Thos. Needham, speaker; Mr. John Reynolds, soloist.
Fifth District—Manchester Central Methodist Church—Rev. Frank Cranstun, D. D. speaker; Mr. Owen F. Dunn, soloist.

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If favorable action is taken by the committee the ordinance will go to the Common Council next Monday, and if it passes that body it will be voted upon by the Board of Aldermen on Tuesday, January 12th.

The subject is rapidly progressing, and great interest is being displayed, so that nothing may be left undone to bring the issue forth for the people's consideration as to their judgment may determine.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SHOW INCREASE

Report of Commissioner Koiner Makes Wonderful Comparative Showing.

CORN IS KING IN VIRGINIA

Great Increase in Dairy Products and Staple Crops During Past Eight Years.

Commissioner Koiner, of the State Department of Agriculture, will submit to Governor Swanson to-day a table showing the progress in agricultural products in Virginia during the past eight years, since the formation of the present department. With the table will be submitted a map showing the grand divisions of the State and the yield of each section.

The progress shown is phenomenal. The grand total, including agricultural products, live stock and mineral output, has increased from \$129,104,000 in 1900 to \$204,000,000 in the year just closing, an increase of nearly 60 per cent.

At the same time the actual acreage in cultivation has decreased, showing the profits derived from the intensive method of cultivation coming into vogue in the past years. The acreage in Virginia in cultivation in 1900 was 1,406,830; the acreage in cultivation in 1908 was 1,370,000.

Corn the Staple.
Corn is king in Virginia, producing over twice the wealth of any other crop raised in this State. The value of the crop has increased from \$16,300,000 in 1900 to \$30,000,000 in 1908.

Truck farming comes next in value, and has even greater increase, the value of all truck raised in 1900 being \$5,000,000, against \$12,500,000 in 1908.

When it has come ahead of tobacco as profitable crops, the wheat yield in Virginia having increased from \$800,000 to \$8,000,000 in eight years. Hay has increased in yield from \$7,470,000 to \$10,000,000.

Tobacco shows but slight comparative increase in value, many farmers now diversifying their crops. The tobacco yield has increased from \$7,210,000 to \$8,000,000. Live stock, including horses, mules, cattle, sheep, swine, etc., has increased from \$1,200,000 to \$1,800,000.

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Y. M. C. A.'S BIG DAY
Elaborate Program for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

An elaborate program has been arranged by the officers of the Young Men's Christian Association for the entertainment to be held in the association building on New Year's Eve, and the afternoon and night of New Year's Day.

Three games of basketball are scheduled for New Year's Eve, the teams being the Young Men's Christian Association, the Amethysts and Pearls will play at 8:00; the Amethysts and Pearls will play at 8:15; at 9:15, the Diamonds and Rubies will play; at 9:30, the Diamonds and Rubies will play.

On New Year's Day there will be a reception from 10:30 to 11 P. M., with refreshments, served from 11 to 12 P. M. The program of the day in detail is as follows:

For boys and girls in the auditorium at 1:30 P. M., "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" (illustrated); Watermelon Song (illustrated); Polk Miller's Quartet; pictures; "Wise and Otherwise" (illustrated); "Dixie" (illustrated); Polk Miller's Quartet. In the gymnasium at 4:30 P. M.: Calisthenics; drill; apparatus exercises; the Leaders' Corps; obstacle race; Mohicans vs. Kickapoos; basketball; Mohicans vs. Kickapoos; basketball; Mohicans vs. Kickapoos.

At 5:30 P. M., for gentlemen and ladies: Indoor baseball, afternoon class vs. Night Class.

At 8:15 P. M.: Mat work and tumbling; Seniors vs. Juniors; horizontal and parallel bars; Seniors vs. Juniors; relay pursuit race; Juniors vs. Seniors; basketball games; eighth annual game between Juniors and Intermediates, and Seniors and Reserves.

At 9:30 P. M.: Instrumental, the Coventer Orchestra; vocal, Virginia Male Quartet; humorist, G. Jeter Jones; instrumental, G. Jeter Jones; instrumental, G. Jeter Jones; instrumental, G. Jeter Jones.

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PANIC IN CHURCH AS FLAME SHOT FROM FLUE

SUNDAY-SCHOOL AWARDS PRIZES

Montrose Presbyterian Holds Christmas Celebration, Rewarding the Punctual Ones.

At Montrose Presbyterian Church, in the East End, an attractive Christmas celebration was held yesterday afternoon, under the direction of the Rev. William Campbell, who is both pastor of the church and superintendent of the Sunday school. There were a number of Christmas songs by the school and several anthems by a quartet composed of Mrs. Clay, Mrs. Enoch, Robert Brown and Mr. Astley, with Mrs. W. W. French as organist.

Quite a number of recitations were given by the scholars. Irene Scammell recited "The Christmas Doll," and Jack Bay told about "The Teddy Bear." The coming of Snowflakes was recited by Allen Knight. "The Winter's Message" was delivered by Fannie Goldsmith, Miller Stout, Lillian Drinker, Oscar Whitlock, Annie Myers, Freddie Goldsmith, Beatrice Hobson, Robb, Roy, and Adam, Floyd Bates and Lydie Lindsay. "The Stars" was presented by Annie Bew, Willie May Hobson, Nannie Whitlock, Marion Oakley, Gladys Angle and Carrie Gantt.

"The Beautiful Star" was recited by Grace Lindsay, Hazel Kersey, Gilbert Gantt, Earl Adams, Grace Knight and Walter Barker. "Lay Aside Every Weight" was given by Miss Mamie Redford, Roland Walker, Louis Nelson, Lankford Walker, Leander Myers and Floyd Barker. "On Christmas Day" was recited by Lorene Whitlock.

Prizes were offered at the beginning of the year to all who attended punctually all of the Sundays of one or more months, the prizes being graded by the number of months which they attended. Suitable books were given as prizes, as follows:

Those who attended one month—Thelma Bailey, Stanley Williams, Ryland Moore, Grace Coover, Elsie Ritter, Grace Lindsay, Hazel Kersey, Gilbert Gantt, Earl Adams, Grace Knight and Walter Barker.

Those who attended two months—Winton Myers, Earl Gantt, Charles Allen, Garland Gantt, Louise Wheeler, Alice Knight, Arthur Knight, Mary Coover, Roy Rhodes, Mrs. W. B. Wheeler.

Three months—Bertha Jordan, Meta Ritter, Grace Knight, Winn Gantt, Curtis Knight, John Allen, James Wood, Miss Mamie Redford, Mrs. W. W. French.

Four months—Linwood Jordan, Evelyn Walker, Rachel Knight, Robby Bew, Miss Lola Whitlock.

Five months—John Gantt, Gladys Angle, Willard Bates, Roland Walker, Mr. Ed. Hunter.

Six months—Alice Goldsmith, Opal Moore, Mary Allen, Grace Allen, Charles Wendell, Lydie Lindsay, Florence Carter, John Hunter, Mr. O. L. Stout.

Seven months—Nellie Myers, Floyd Bates, Lillian Drinker, Fred Nelson, Mr. W. K. Barker.

Eight months—Willie May Hobson, Annie Redford, Hazel Kersey, Ashby Lindsay, John Gantt, John Allen, Mrs. W. B. Wheeler, Fredie Goldsmith, Leander Myers, Mrs. Louis Washer.

Nine months—Alone Lindsay, Jessie West, George Scammell, Ernest Nelson, the Rev. William S. Campbell.

Ten months—Virginia Wendell, John Gantt, George West, Beatrice Hobson, Carrie Gantt, Miller Stout.

The following twenty-nine were punctual every Sunday during the year, and to each of them a prize was given: Miss Mamie Hutchinson, Arthur Hutchinson, Willie Hutchinson, George Hutchinson, George Hutchinson, Robert Whitlock, Lorene Whitlock, Nannie Whitlock, Mrs. J. W. Whitlock, Mary Coover, Meta Ritter, Emma Nauman, Beatrice Hobson, Florence Carter, Grace Kersey, Irene Scammell.

The Ladies' Aid Society presented its president and the pastor of the church, who appreciated tokens of remembrance.

TUGBOAT LOST

Alma, built in Manchester and sold in Libel, Founders of New Jersey Coast.

The tugboat Alma, built several years ago in Manchester and recently sold in a libel case, was lost Saturday off the New Jersey coast, where she was driven ashore on a tortoise gale. No lives were reported lost.

The boat was bought by P. T. Murphy, who afterwards sold it to a Northern contracting firm. She was being towed to her destination when the disaster happened.

Marriage Licenses.
Marriage licenses were issued yesterday in the City Clerk's office by the following: James Ford Moore and Clara L. Loving; Percy Norvell Brown and Florence Atwell Jones; Walter J. Hicks and Josephine; Chris H. Ayva and Louisa M. Bumgarner; Ernest W. Leary and Harriet D. Leary.

Raid Seven Bills.
Deputy Collector J. H. Catron yesterday reported to Colonel Chapman, collector of internal revenue, that he had raided seven illicit stills in Buchanan county and caught five prisoners. There was no battle, as is usually the case in extensive raids. All the prisoners were taken thirty miles across country and lodged in jail.

Supreme Court.
The Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals will open its winter term in this city Tuesday. Opinions in a number of cases which have been argued and submitted will be handed down on the first opinion day of the term.

Dr. Tucker Returns.
Dr. B. W. Tucker returned to the city from San Francisco, where he delivered a series of lectures on nervous diseases to the students of Cooper Medical College by invitation of the faculty.

Four Hundred Women and Children on Verge of Stampede; Only One Hurt.

RAN WITH WILD CRY OF "FIRE!"

Quick Work by Men, in Opening Windows, Prevents Terrible Loss of Life.

Fire, caused by a defective flue, broke out in Decatur Street Methodist Church, in Manchester, last night, just before the Sunday school Christmas celebration began, causing a panic among the 400 persons assembled, most of whom were women and children, and almost resulting seriously. But for the presence of mind of the few men present in rushing to the rear of the church and raising the windows, thus affording another means of escape, undoubtedly there would have been loss of limb and probably life in the frantic crowd seeking exit at the doors.

Many women fainted as a result of their experience, and one person was hurt in the crush. Mrs. John Driver, of Everett Street, was the only victim, and her injuries are slight.

Poohish Cry of Fire.
The celebration was supposed to begin at 7:15 o'clock, and it was shortly before that time when the blaze was discovered. Most of the crowd had already assembled.

The flue from which the blaze issued is located between the chancel and between the chancel and the pews. Those seated in the front, the first to discover the flames, dashed for the door. The crowd in the rear, observing that something unusual was happening, ran to the rear, and in the confusion, when some one foolishly yelled "fire," there was a mad stampede for the door. Women and children fought madly to gain the entrance, and mingled with their screams could be heard the unheeded command of the rearward crowd, "Get out of there!"

While the pastor of the church, the Rev. J. B. Forrester, and the superintendent of the Sunday school, James P. Jones, battled to restore order, several men rushed to the rear and opened the windows, thus affording a means of escape to the ground below is only a few feet, and many of the children escaped in this way.

Damage Only Trifling.
The Manchester department quickly responded to the alarm, but the fire, which was only slight, was extinguished before it arrived. One or two buckets of water, which some one had brought, were thrown on it, and it was sufficient to extinguish the flames.

The woodwork under the matting close to the flue was slightly burned, and the matting on one side burned away for a few inches. According to one of those sitting near the front at the time, the flames could not have reached a height of more than eight or ten inches, and could not possibly have been seen in the rear. Had the crowd in front kept still the trouble could have been avoided with a few buckets of water.

A member of the Manchester Fire Department stated last night that it was entirely due to the construction of the flue, and was not the fault of the janitor. The flue, which helps to supply the furnace with fuel, is a hot-air furnace, leads almost directly up from the furnace. It is coated with asbestos, the coating is too thin to be of any value, and the fire was the direct result of an overheated, unprotected flue.

Program Not Carried Out.
Those present did not stop to gather their articles of outer clothing, and when all danger had passed many missed wraps, hats, etc., which had probably been dragged out in the excitement.

Mr. Forrester, seeing the uselessness of trying to carry out the program as arranged, simply called the children in after the excitement had subsided and distributed the candy and candy. The youngsters did not see Santa Claus at the church this year.

Too much cannot be said of the conduct of Mr. Forrester, Superintendent of the Sunday School James P. Jones, the Sunday school teachers and several other persons. They did all that was possible to quiet the crowd, but without avail. The panic was really brought about by the frightened children, who excited the women into following them. The damage to the church will amount to only a few dollars.

NEW PIANO COMPANY

Many Charters Granted Yesterday to Industrial and Mercantile Corporations.

A charter was granted by the State Corporation Commission yesterday to the Cable Manufacturing Company, which has its principal office in Richmond. This new company will take over the business formerly operated as a branch of the Cable Company of Chicago.

Kaufmann-Moser Piano Company (Inc.).
Norsklok, vice-president; J. B. Jenkins—all of Norfolk. Capital: Maximum, \$25,000; minimum, \$10,000. Objects: Duplicating pianos, organs, etc.

The Baker-Miller Lumber Company (Inc.).
N